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1. Gyorgy Szakasits, Counselor of the Hungarian Legation in Paris, has been recalled by his government and is leaving for Budapest within two weeks. His request for a six-week delay was refused. According to source, the Soviets do not want any member of the family of the President of Hungary to remain "outside the iron curtain", particularly in view of the activities of the Tildy family prior to the former president's resignation.

- 2. Count Michael Karolyi is still in Budapest where the rumor circulates that he will probably not return to Paris, possibly because of some difficulty in the arrangement of the transfer of funds to some Western nation. The funds represent part indemnity for Karolyi's confiscated estates.
- The chief candidate for the post of Hungarian Minister to France is an unnamed Counselor in the Hungarian Foreign Ministry described as an erdent

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